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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on 5/27/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Species I: as shown in figs. 1,4.

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Species III: as shown in fig. 3.

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